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To: Subst. House Bill No. **5476**

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"AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF THE FEASIBILITY OF LEGALIZING INDUSTRIAL HEMP."

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The Commissioners of Agriculture,
4 Consumer Protection and Economic and Community Development,
5 after consulting with the Attorney General, shall study the feasibility
6 of legalizing industrial hemp for the purpose of encouraging economic
7 development and increasing the number of new businesses in this
8 state. The Commissioner of Agriculture shall study the feasibility of
9 legalizing the production of industrial hemp. The Commissioner of
10 Consumer Protection shall study the feasibility of legalizing the
11 possession of industrial hemp and the Commissioner of Economic and
12 Community Development shall study the feasibility of legalizing the
13 sale of industrial hemp. Not later than January 1, 2015, the

14 Commissioner of Consumer Protection shall report, in accordance with
15 the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint
16 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
17 matters relating to agriculture, consumer protection and commerce
18 concerning said commissioners' recommendations on (1) establishing a
19 statutory definition of "industrial hemp", based on the percentage of
20 proposed tetrahydrocannabinol in such industrial hemp, as
21 distinguished from marijuana, (2) amending the general statutes to
22 exclude industrial hemp from the definition of "controlled substance"
23 in section 21a-240 of the general statutes, and (3) establishing a
24 licensing system for industrial hemp growers and sellers."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:

Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section
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